Harris. Missionary meeting of Leffing-well Baptist church. Morse-Rupp wedding. Death of Charles Smith. Chelses. Boat club committees ap-

pointed.

29—Bailey-Monros wedding.

Mothers' day observed at revival meetings: Annual meeting of Connecticut

Teachers' Annuity guild. Mr. and Mrs.

M. H. Donahue injured in automobile

accident.
30—Annual meeting of Park Church
Woman's association. Death of John

#### NOVEMBER.

I—German church celebrates 40th anniversary. Kirkpatrick-Hovey weddings. Deaths of John E. Sherman and Henry Bond.

2—W. A. Morse begins duties as Y. M. C. A. secretary. Meeting of common council. Death of Mrs. Charles H. Palmer. Wells-Houldcroft wedding.

3—Davis-Main wedding. Special children's night at Thames lodge. Meeting of Congregational clergy. Funerals of Henry R. Bond and Rev. William E. Stanton.

Stanton.

4—Buckley-Cronin wedding. Annual meeting of Backus Hospital corporators. Funerals of John E. Sherman

ators. Funerals of John E. Snerman and Mrs. Charles H. Palmer. Henry Mallon killed by cars. 5—Avery-Ellsworth and Kellogg-Wilbur wedding. Funeral of Mrs. Re-becca Thurber. Death of Mrs. George A. Harris.

-Meeting of Stationary Engineers.

ville Fire Engine company. Meeting of Clericus of New London Archdeaconry. 10—Cousins' club meet and elect of-Clericus of New London Archdeaconry.

10—Cousins' club meet and elect officers. Ladies' night at Arcanum club. Funeral of Mrs. Lebeus L. Lathrop. Sudden death of George F. Haling.

11—Death of Samuel J. P. Ladd. Italian laborer killed by trolley cars. Freight agent, Lemuel M. Glichrist, resigns. Annual meeting of Principals' club. 29th annual meeting of Connecticut branch of Woman's auxiliary.

12—Meeting of board of trade. Meeting of Holy Name society. Social of Open House club. Meeting of Broadway Congregational church.

13—Funerals of George Haling and Mrs. Mary L. Woodworth. Meeting of Broadway Woman's Home Missionary society. Opening of Plaut-Cadden building. Meeting of Park church Parish House association.

15—Sudden death of Eldridge Northrop. Taftville post office burglarized. 16—Briggs-Clark wedding. Meeting of W. C. T. U. Annual fair of Catholic Woman's club. Teachers' guild appoint county officials. Death of Walter Chapman. Wilbur-Smith wedding.

17—Quarterly meeting of City union of King's Daughters. Meeting of Art Students' association, County conference of Y. M. C. A. Funeral of Eldridge Northrop. Gilbert S. Raymond re-elected treasurer of Mayflower descendants, Meeting of Round Table.

Table.

18—Death of Mrs. John McNaught.
Freight agent Elmer C. Jewett begins
duties. Annual visitation of grand officers to Somerset lodge, F. and A. M.
Hope Rebekah lodge entertain state officers. Christman-Moore wedding.

12—Fourth annual meeting of Mayflower club. Arnual meeting of Backus Hospital visiting board. MaxonShepherd wedding.

20—Campfire by Sedgwick post. Dr.
Rush W. Kimball appointed medical
examiner. Funeral of Mrs. John
McNaught.

22—Academy defeat Bulkeley at football. Close of fair at Swedish Lutheran church. Funeral of Mrs.

waiter Burgoyne.

23.—Neoplans organize Slater lodge,
No, 509. Sudden death of Mrs. John
Stapleton. Death of Mrs. Charles Palmer. Union chorus effects organization. Meeting of Norwich Medical
association.

24. Flores of Medical Walter Burgoyne.

association.

24—Farewell reception to Mr. and
Mrs. Frank Merrill at Y. M. C. A.
Meeting of Men's league of Central
Baptist church. Meeting of Round
Toble

DeStruve-Slater wedding. Fifty-

fourth assembly of St. Joseph's So-dality and Literary association. George F. Hyde engaged as assistant secre-tary at Y. M. C. A. 25—Academy football team defeat Yale Consolidated team. Thanksgiv-ing observed. Poles celebrate 78th an-

niversary of insurrection against Rus-sia. Chappell-Ringiand wedding. 27-Mr. and Mrs. Enos Gray celebrate 25th wedding anniversary, Cran-dall-Smith wedding, Annual inspection of Columbian commanders

29—Dr. L. L. West's resignation from Second Congregational church accept-ed. Norwich wins championship cup in football league. Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Chappell celebrate 60th wedding anniversary. Death of Charles B. Har-

20-Union chorus organized. Death of Rev. Jesse E. Heald. Sudden death of Emil R. Gerber. Tillinghast-Herr

## DECEMBER.

1-Dr. N. B. Lewis appointed medi-cal examiner of Preston. Farewell banquet given Tyler Richards. Meet-ing of fire company captains. Plans completed for Elks memorial service. 2-Annual meeting of New London County Assignifical secrets. Strike at County Agricultural society. Strike at West Side silk mill. Hilliard-Daven-

port wedding, 2—Parker-Scofield wedding, Ben-jamin Cross observes 83th birthday, Sudden death of Isham Epps, Stewari-

Maurice wedding.

4—Close of Academy football season. Annual election of officers of Sedgwick post, G. A. R. Meetings of Park and Broadway Church Mission-

sry societies.

5-Sudden death of Mrs. John N. White. Death of William B. Tooker. Sudden death of Asron Lucas. White Cross council, Knights of Columbus, elect officers. Elks memorial strvice. To-Meeting of Ionic camp. Meeting of clericus of New London archdeacongry. Funeral of Mrs. John M. White. Meeting of common council.

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Capt. and Mrs. A. D. Smith cele-brate 50th wedding anniversary. Fu-nerals of Miss Emily Huntington and William B. Tooker. Annual Christ-mas sale of Trinity Parish Ladies' Aid

-Union evangelistic meeting at Methodist church. Annual banquet of Painters' and Decorators' union. An-nual meeting of Philathea class of First Baptist Sunday-school. Funeral of Aaron Lucas. Meeting of Faith Trumbull chapter, D. A. R. Funeral of Mrs. Julia F. White.

of Mrs. Julia F. White.

10—Meeting of Methodist Woman's
Home Missionary society. Gilbert S.
Raymond addresses Open House club.

11—Farewell reception to Dr. and
Mrs. L. L. West. Meeting of Norwich

Business Men's association. Meeting of Parish House association.

13 — Annual meeting of Norwich Christian Endeavor union. Division No. 1, A, O. H., elect officers. Dr. L. L. West's farewell service.

14—Annual meeting of Men's club of Park Congregational church. Death of Miss Ellen G. Coit. Meeting of Norwich Art Students' association. Death of Rev. Orange W. Scott, A. M. Funeral of Mrs. John D. Noyes.

15—Annual meeting of Sphinx Temple

band. Birthday banquet given Super-intendent Walter A. Chaffee. Death of William H. Coughlin, Meeting of Round Table. Silver jubilee of Rev. M. H. May. Meeting of Baptist min-laters.

aters.

16—Anna M. Herr Y. W. C. T. U., elect officers. Death of Mrs. J. Frank Rogers. Pearson-Huntington wedding. Meeting of Y. M. C. A. board of directors. Annual communication of the colors. Annual communication of the colors.

ing of board of trade. Open meeting of Tecumsch tribe of Red Men.

17.—Funeral of Miss Ellen G. Coit. Meeting of New London County Pomona grange. Dr. N. B. Lewis wins na grange. Dr. N. B. Lewis wins championship in West Side Pinochle

club. 18—Campfire of Sedgwick post.

18—Campfire of Sedgwick post. Funeral of Mrs. J. Frank Rogers. Death of John Albert Hurd.

20—Death of Miss Mary Graham, 106 years of age. Banquet of Master Horseshoers' association. New pipe organ installed in Grace church.

21—Deaths of Mrs. Moses Chapman and Mrs. Eugene A. Vaughn. Annual meeting and banquet of Connecticut Civil Service Reform association. Funeral of John Albert Hurd.

22—St. James' annual communication. Annual meetings of election of officers of Central Baptist Ladies' Benevolent union. Potter-Beebe wed-

Benevolent union. Potter-Beebe wed-

ding. 23-Funeral of Mrs. Moses Chapman. 23—Funeral of Mrs. Moses Chapman.
Social evening of Spanish War veterans. Meeting of Norwich grange,
Patrons of Husbandry.
24—James Moore observes 80th birthday. Jones-Combies wedding. Death
of Mrs. Marla A. Frink, Meeting of
county commissioners.
25—Death of Mrs. Austin W. Park.

Quartermaster Sergt. S. S. Stocking presented gold headed cane by Sedg-wick post, G. A. R. Annual Christmas festival of Christ church Sunday-school. 27—Christmas at public institutions. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Holmes cele-

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Holmes cele-brate 50th wedding anniversary. Sud-den death of Frank Holloway. Christ-

6—Meeting of Stationary Engineers.
Death of Mrs. Lebeus L. Lathrop. Haile club hold Japanese festival and chrysanthemum show. Funeral of Mrs.
E. L. Knowlton.
8—Funeral of John Rockwell. Rev. Dr. Lester L. West resigns as pastor of Second Congregational church. Annual meeting of Teachers' Annuity guild. Funeral of Mrs. George A. Harria, Carl Jahn celebrates 35th birthday.
9—43rd annual meeting of Congregational churches of Connecticut, at Torrington. Annual meeting of Greene-ville Fire Engine company. Meeting of Clericus of New London Archdeaconry.
10—Cousins' club meet and elect of Mrs. Administ Christmas festivals of Methodist, Broadway and Park

of Methodist, Broadway and Park churches. Annual meeting of First Baptist Sunday school. Meeting of Round Table. Death of John P. Cas-

#### FIRES DURING YEAR.

The list of the fires with kind of call, how occupied, cause, location, occupant and loss in the order mentioned —(T) representing telephone and (S) still alarms-is as follows:

JANUARY. 1—(T) Dwelling, chimney, Joseph Enos, Bentley Ave. No loss.
5—(S) Tenements, chimney, G. Lord and other, 32 Franklin St. No loss.
11—(Box 37) Wood-working factory, unknown, H. B. Porter & Son Co., Lafayette St. No loss.
15—(Box 6) Dwelling, hot flat in bed, Charles Marx and others, 128 Talman St. Loss, \$198.50.
16—(T) Dwelling, smoke from heater, J. S. McGee, 51 Sachem St. No loss.
18—(T) Dwelling, oil stove explosion,

18—(T) Dwelling, oil stove explosion, D. Disco and others, 84 Oak St. D. D. Disco and Loss, \$450.

19—(T) Tenements, soot in chimney, 19—(T) Tenements, 47 Thames St.

No loss. 21—(Box 223) Dwelling, defective chimney, Dr. N. P. Smith, 25 Park St. Loss, \$373.25. 26—(T) Store, chimney, The Mohi-can Co., 262 Main St. No loss.

## FEBRUARY.

1—(S) Dwelling, soot in chimney, E. Budnick, 12 North High St. No loss. 6—(T) Unoccupied, sparks from locomotive, Laurel Hill Ave. No loss. 9—(Eox 23 and 4) Stores and offices, unknown, Reid & Hughes Co. and others, corner Main and Shetucket Sts. Loss, \$293,312.13.

3—(Box 4 general alarm) Stores and offices, unknown, Reid & Hughes Co. and others, corner Main and Shetucket Sts. Loss, \$293,312.13.

10—(T) Dwelling, short circuit wires, F. L. Osgood, 194 Washington St. No loss.

loss.
13—(T) Dwelling, chimney, Edward
Mathews, 12 Central Ave. No loss.
14—(T) Shop and tenements, hot
ashes in box, Gelose F. Lord, 26
Broadway. No loss.
21—(T) Dwelling, back draught in
stove. Mrs. Ellen Mahoney, 20 Ward

Unoccupied, grass fire, 21 - (S) -(S) Dwelling, soot in chimney Alvin Wright, 21 North High St. No

## MARCH.

1-(T) Tenements, soot in chimney 1—(T) Tenements, soot in chimney, Miss A. E. Frink and others, 271 West Main St. No loss. 3—(T) Dwelling, chimney, Sterling Nelson, 555 North Main St. No loss. 6—(T) Stores and tenements, chimney, D. O. Gillette and others, 162 Main St. No loss

St. No loss, 9—(Box 27) Stores and tenements, gas leak and matches, Mrs. H. Hankin and others, 255 Central Ave. Loss, 9-(S) Stores and tenements, chim-

9—(S) stores and tenements, chim-ney, Goodyear Repairing Co, and others, \$6 Franklin St. No loss. 11—(T) Dwelling, chimney, estate L. W. Harvey, 459 Hamilton Ave. No

11-(S) Vacant lot, sparks from locomotive, N. A. Bingham, rear Sherman St. No loss,
15—(S) Vacant lot, sparks from locomotive, rear Sherman St. No loss.

comotive, rear Sherman St. No loss.

17—(T) Vacant lot, brush fire,
Cedar St. No loss.

18—(T) Vacant lot, brush fire, Mason Place Sunnyside. No loss.

18—(S) Stable, hot ashes, Jos. L.
Kelly, cor. W. Main and High Sts. o loss, 21—(T) Vacant lot, grass fire, 53

Hedge Ave. No loss.
21—(T) Vacant lbt, grass fire, rear
Summit St. No loss.
22—(T) Vacant lot, grass fire, Laurel Hill Ave. No loss. 24—(T) Vacant lot, grass fire, Est.

24—(T) Vacant lot, grass fire, Est. G. Geduldig, Union St. No loss.
24—(S) Vacant lot, sparks from locomotive, C. V. R. R., rear 34 Sherman St. No loss.
31—(T) Unoccupied, grass fire, H. Huntington, rear 159 Rockwell St. No loss.

1—(T) Vacant lot, burning grass, T. J. O'Neil, rear 106 Talman St. No 2-(T) Vacant lot, leaves and grass burning, Charles H. Whaley, 9 Tread-

way Ave. No loss
To (T) Dwelling, reflection from arc light, Miss F. Monaher, 39 Washington St. No loss.
To Vacant lot, burning grass, not occupied, rear Roosevelt Ave. No loss.

8-(Box 23) Stores and tenements, cigarette in rubbish, Dave Liberman and others, 29 Franklin St. Loss \$216.
12-(Box 26) Vacant lot, bonfire, Thomas A. Fenton, rear 52 Oak St.

Thomas A. Fenton, feat
No loss.

12—(T) County Jail, burning paper
in air shaft, County Jail, Cedar St.
Jail. No loss.

13—(T) Ash dump, rubbish burning, unoccupied, River Ave. No loss,
17—(T) Yard, bondive, F. E. Lewis
and others, 20 Winchester St. No loss,
19—(T) As a park, burning brush,
a park, Rockwell St., Mohegan Park,
No loss.
24—(S) Tenements, soot in chimney,
J. McCarthy and others, 42 Mt.
Pleasant St. No loss.
26—(T) Woods, burning brush, unoccupied, rear Bacon Est. No loss,
26—(Box 26) Tenements, oil lamp

26-(Box 26) Tenements, oil lamp explosion, W. A. Bussey and others, 63 Oak St. Loss 3297.00, 30-(T) Dwelling, smoke seen in room, Eva Barber, 148 Talman St. No loss.

Tenement chimney, Jose-

loss.
7—(T) Woodshed, hot ashes, James Kingsley, 123 Orchard St. No loss.
9—(Box 12) Tenements, smoking on couch, J. Dalton and others, 258 West Thames St. Lass \$25.00.
10—(T) Lannch, cigar thrown on cover, L. Hiscox, near Shotucket river, No loss.

Preston. No loss.

18—(T) Offices and stores, steam gaused alarm. Dr. E. J. Jones and others, Bill Block, Shetucket St. No

loss, 21—(Box 21) Tenements, rats and matches, P. N. Burns and others, 126 Boawell Ave. Loss \$60.90. 27—(S) Tenements, chimney, P. Gladue and others, 526 to 528 N. Main

Gradie and others, 225 to 182.

St. No loss.

28—(Box 6) Tenements, matches and couch, A. Clarkson and others, 455 Main St. No loss.

30—(S) Dwelling, chimney, C. E. Chinn, 129 Sachem St. No loss.

JUNE.

15—(Box 212) Test alarm, cor Bosweil Ave. and Hickory St.
19—(T) Saloon, cigar on roof, Blinderman Bros. and others, 252 Main St. Loss slight.
19—(T) Tenements, chimney, S. Bodine and others, 18 Elm St. No loss, 24—(Box 14) Mattress factory, lightning, Morris Sussman, Stockwell Place. Loss \$3,300.00.
25—(S) Mattress factory, smoldering ruins, Morris Sussman, Stockwell Place. No loss, 29—(T) Wharf, spontaneous, Peater and Gereno, 41 West Main St. No Loss.

JULY.

3-(T) Telegraph pole, crossed wire, Electric Light Co., 135 Main St. No.

loss.

5—(T) Vacant lot, brush fire, vacant lot, near 132 School St. No loss.

5—(T) Vacant lot, brush fire, rear 1 Spruce St. No loss.

5—(Box 62) Tenements, fire works, Thomas K. Hartley and others, 541 Main St. Loss, \$6.59.

5—(T) Vacant lot, fire works, Spruce St., Rogers Hill. No loss.

5—(T) Vacant lot, chimney, Hinck-ley Hill. No loss.

6—(S) Vacant lot, brush fire, Hinck-ley Hill. No loss.

ley Hill. No loss.

8—(T) Tenements, chimney, A.

Pirerotto and others, Smith Ave. No loss. loss.

\$\( \) Vacant lot, brush fire, Hinckley Hill. No loss.

17\( \) (T) Lot, burning brush, E. L., Gallaudet, 276 Broadway. No loss

18\( \) (T) Tenements, chimney, M. Dennis and others, 278 No. Main St. No. loss.

26-(Box 234) Turner-Stanton Co. and Green Silk mill, Greeneville, Test 26—(Box 5) Hopkins & Allen Arms Co., Franklin St. Test alarm. 26—(Box 142) Givernaud Brothers, Mechanic St. Test alarm.

## AUGUST.

2-(Box 62) Tenements, chimney, Chas. Whipple and others, 2 Stanton Ave. No loss. 3—(S) Tenements, chimney, F. Lef-fingwell and others, 39 Franklin St.

3-(S) Vacant lot, sparks from bon-fire, unoccupied, Stockwell Place. No 4—(T) Vacant lot, brush fire, un-occupied, School St. No loss, 4—(T) Vacant lot, grass and brush fire, unoccupied, rear Spring St. No loss,

-(T) Residence, chimney, C. Mullaney, 47 Prospect St. Loss \$29.00. 9—(Box 28) Tenements, defective chimney, R. Sinkavitsh and others, 644

Boswell Ave. Loss, \$1,608.54. 10—(T) Unoccupied, sparks from locomotive unoccupied, North Main St. 2—(T) Tenements, chimney, A. Herrick and others, 220 Franklin

St. No loss. 14—(S) Tenements chimney G. L. Clark and others, 22 Union St. No

15-(T) Vacant lot, brush fire, unoccupied, Laurel Hill Ave. No loss.

23—(S) Vacant lot, sparks from locomotive, Thos. Tracey, rear 54 and 55
Sherman St. No loss.

24—(T) Tenements, rags burning,
Wm. Rush and others, 252 W. Main

St. No loss. 25—(T) Stores, smoke from chim, ney, J. Jennes and others, 56 Broad-25-(S) Unoccupied, rubbish burning, unoccupied, rear 128 Chestnut St.

## SEPTEMBER.

2—(T) Dwelling, chimney, C. L. Standish, 32 Palmer St. No loss.
6—(T) Unoccupied, grass fire, unoccupied, No. Main St. No loss.
8—(Box 223) Barn, gasoline explosion, Dr. Lewis and others, rear 291 Main St. Loss \$35.00. Main St. Loss \$35.00. 11—(T) Shoddy mills, unknown, Gilman Bros., Bozrahville, Conn. No

12—(T) Tenements, children and matches, J. Katzman and others, 28 High St. No loss. 16—(S) Tenements, lamp explosion, S. Nonne and others, 51-53 Thames St.

No loss.

17—(T) Dwelling, smoke seen in rooms, Jas. Somers' family, 87 Washington St. No loss.

17—(S) Tenements, oil stove, A. McGregor and others, 28 Franklin St. No loss. 25—(T) Dwelling, chimney, Howard, 72 No. Main St. No loss.

## OCTOBER.

5-(S) Dwelling, soot in chimney, Mrs. F. Greenberg, 127 Thames St. No. loss.
6—(T) Store and offices, defective flue, R. F. Smith and others, Shetucket St. No loss.
7—(S) City dump yard, burning rubbish, City of Norwich, Lake St. No loss

7—(T) Feed silo, Boys with match-s, Elias Chapman, 12 Stanton Ave. es, Elias Chapman,
No loss.
7—(T) Offices and stores, over7—(T) Loweth and
Store, Henry Loweth and
Bldg. No others, Broadway, Chapman Bldg. No

loss.

8—(T) Tenements, soot in chimney,
F. Brosky and others, 11 Cove St. No 14—(8) Dwelling, chimney, Daniel Falvey, 132 Sachem St. No loss. 16—(T) Tenements, sparks in fire

16—(T) Tenements, sparks in fire place, J. Jennes and others, 30 Cliff St. Loss \$29.00.
29—(T) Public highway, burning leaves, City of Norwich, opposite 72 High St. No loss.
30—(T) Tenements, chimney, J. Lester and others 31 Firm St. No loss. 30—(T) Tenements, chimney, J. Lester and others, 31 Elm St. No loss. 31—(T) Candy store, tenements, etc., defective chimney, Grover & Herrick and others, Main St., Ereed building. No loss.
31—(T) Shed, hot ashes, James McGrory, 280 31-(T) Shed, hot ashes, James McGrory, 289 Main St. Loss \$20.09.

## NOVEMBER.

4-(S) Store and tenements, smoke n room, Mrs. R. Thumm, 71-73 Franklin St. No loss. 5—(S) Shop, chimney, N. S. Gilbert & Sons, Willow St. No loss, 6—(T) Tenements chimney, William Moore and others, 32 School St. No loss.

7-(S) Vacant lot, grass fire, Nor-wich Water Power Co., Roosevelt Ave. No loss. S-(T) No loss.

\$\(^{\text{S}}\) = (T) Embankment, sparks from locomotive, N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R., (rear) Laurel Hill Ave. No loss.

\$\(^{\text{S}}\) = (Box 24.) Tenements, defective chimney, A. Ferrace and others, 62 No. Main St. Loss, \$425.

10—(T) Tenements, chimney, E. E. Allen and others, 12 Hill St. No loss.

11—(S) Vacant lot, sparks from locomotive Falls Cotton Co. (rear) Sherman St. No loss.

,12—(T) Vacant lot, burning brush, Mrs. Anne Cobb, (rear) River Ave. No loss.

Tenements kerosene li stove, S. Banas and others, 70 Spring St. No loss. 18—(T) Tenements, chimnax B

phine Johnson, 324 Franklin St. No Sheehan and others, 13 Ward St. No 20—(T) Vacant lot, dropping matches, Norwich Free Academy, (rear) of Academy. No loss.
21—(S) Vacant lot, burning grass, N. S. Gilbert, (rear) Union St. No

## DECEMBER.

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1—(S) Vacant lot, spark from locamotive, C. V. R. R. and Desmond Est., (rear) Sherman St. No loss.

2—(T) Vacant lot, spark from locamotive, F. R. Wasley and others, (rear) Thames Terrace. No loss.

4—(T) Vacant lot, brush burning, John A. Fergusop, (rear) 111 River Ave. No loss.

7—(T) Dryer room, overheated dryer room, H. F. & A. J. Dawley, Dawley's, Fort Point, Loss, \$12,000 to \$15,000.

11—(T) Dwelling chimney, A. W. Culver, 39 Bentley Ave. No loss.
15—(S) Tenements, unknown, H. M. Simpson and others, 117 Baltic St.

10ss, 398.85.

18—(T) Tenements, chimney, E. A. Aldrich and others, 51 Washington St. Loss, 36.

20—(T) Roadside, brush fire, 33-25 20—(T) Roudside, brush fire, 33-35
Rogers Ave, No loss.
23—(T) Tenements, chimney, Henry
Kelley and others, 32 Elm St. No loss,
24—(T) grass bank, brush fire, N.
Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co., 26 Laurel
Hill Ave. No loss.
24—(Box 17) Dwelling, defective
flue, Michael Clifford, 297 Asylum St.
Loss, \$46.35.

An Extension of the Bertillon System.

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The Bertillon system of registration by means of thumb prints has long been known as a satisfactory method of identifying criminals; but its application to civil service examinations has the merit of novelty. There is also reason to believe that it will remove some annoying difficulties which have beset examiners in recent years.

The state civil service commission of New Jersey which, following the example of Chicago, is about to compet those who pass civil service examinations to append their thumb prints to

those who pass civil service examinations to append their thumb prints to their examination papers, has several satisfactory reasons to give for the want of faith that is in it. It had long had cause for belief that applicants for certain positions have hired other people to pass the examinations which are meant to test the amount of education and intelligence they possess. It has none the less been found difficult to obtain proof of the suspected offences. Some recent discoveries in colleges and other institutions of the existence of a class of persons who colleges and other institutions of the existence of a class of persons who gain a living by passing preiminary examinations for backward students, combined with the experiences of Chicago along the same lines, have spurred the commissioners to action. If Chinese examination practices have been imported into this country, they are determined to bring the offenders to book, although they may be unable to save them from future duplicity by removing their heads in the Chinese fashion. It is difficult to see how the Bertillon device can be evaded at pres-Bertillon device can be evaded at present; but there is cause for fear that the ingenuity of candidates and their friends will be equal to the occasion before many moons have waned—Bridgeport Telegram.

#### Music in the Air.

A young lady school teacher, who was moved to a country district, advertised in the local paper for board and lodging. Being musical herself, she stipulated in her advertisement for board with a musical family. The following is a copy of the reply which she received:

"Dear Miss: We think we can suit you with room and bord, if you prefor to be where there is musick. I play the fiddel, my wife the organ, my dotter Jule, the banjo, my son Henry the gettar, and my other son Jim the floot and koronet, in which we would be glad to have you take part. We play by ear, an when we all get We play by car, an when we all get started there is musick in the air. Let us know when you want to come here to bord."

## BELGIAN KING AT HARVARD. Albert Was Only Crown Prince, Then, However.

Albert who succeeds Leopold on the Belgian throne, visited the United States in 1898, and spent some time In the northwest studying the railway development in that part of the country. But before he went west, he stopped off in some of the eastern cities. In Boston he devoted one whole day to Harvard, watched the crew sounds in Hemenway, surveyed the diners in Memorial, and made a tour of the dormitories. An incident of his visit is recalled by a Harvard man now in Boston, who tells the story as follows:

"I was living in one of the bils harm."

"I was living in one of the big, barn like rooms in old Stoughton hall that year, with a roommate from Illinois. One morning just as we were starting for a lecture the president's secretary came to the door and asked if we had any objection to the crown prince of Belgium visiting our room. We looked at each other, grinned and declared we had not. "He will be here in about twenty minutes, then," the secretary said.

"We gave up all idea of attending lectures, and turned in to set things in shape for the royal visit. We wouldn't acknowledge that we were exactly tickled, but it isn't every day that prospective European sovereigns make morning calls on American college students, and some preparations "I was living in one of the big, barn

lege students, and some preparations had to be made. For instance, we had to send out a hurry call for the 'goody' to make our beds. Everything was in shape, though, teh minutes before the prince appeared, and we sat around doing nothing, and trying to look unconcerned.

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"Finally there came a knock on the door and President Eliot pashed it open and entered. Young gentlemen, this is the crown prime of Belgium, he remarked, as he stepped into the middle of the room. The prince.—a tall, pale-faced, angular, and rather awkward youth—he was only about twenty-three, then—followed him in. An army officer in uniform and a court physician trailed along behind. The prince held his silk hat stiffly in one hand and stepped forward with outbrince held his sig hat stilly in one hand and stepped forward with outstretched hand. His handshake was hearty and vigorous. I am glad to meet you, he said. It is a pleasure to see your quarters, and it is very good of you to admit us.

good of you to admit us.

"He spoke perfect English, with scarcely a trace of an accent. Then he spied a 'Wisconsin' banner over the mantel—that was my native state. 'Oh, Wisconsin is a long way from here, is it not? Do you live there?' he asked. We explained that we were both from the personal Personal Procedure. both from the Avist and President Ellot took the opportunity to deliver a little talk on the strongly mitional character of Harvard and the broad field from which it drew its students. "Then the prince spled a group pic-

ture of some college girls and examined it carefully. You have some very beautiful women in America, he remarked with a smile. I have often heard them praised and now I am learning that it is all justified. "Then he went through the formality of shaking hands again, and his aides followed sult, and all departed, repeating their thanks for our kind-

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